

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 8018

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A RESOLUTION to honor Assistant Chief of Police Phillip Dunn
on the occasion of his retirement from the Alcoa
Police Department.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to recognize an
outstanding law enforcement officer who has protected and served his community with
commitment and courage; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief of Police Phillip Dunn of the Alcoa Police Department is
taking a much-deserved retirement after nearly thirty-nine years in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Dunn attended the University of Virginia and graduated from
Draughons Junior College and Walters State Community College; and

WHEREAS, he began his illustrious career in law enforcement in March 1983 with the
Townsend Police Department before transferring to the Blount County Sheriff's Office as a
deputy sheriff in August 1983; Chief Dunn graduated from the Tennessee Law Enforcement
Academy in February 1984 and was named the Outstanding Officer of Class #410; and

WHEREAS, in September 1985, Chief Dunn accepted the position of police officer with
the City of Alcoa, which afforded him the opportunity to handle major criminal cases and internal
investigations as well as work with the narcotics task force; and

WHEREAS, Chief Dunn was assigned as commander over the Administrative Service
Division for many years, and his responsibilities included working with internal affairs,
accreditation, grants, court-related functions, police records, computer technology, community
policing, and animal control; while in this position, he also served as the coordinator overseeing
compliance issues with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation for the National Crime
Information Center and the Tennessee Incident Based Reporting System; and

WHEREAS, Chief Dunn was instrumental in helping the police department receive COPS grants for fifteen officers and mobile data terminals for each patrol vehicle and helping establish the police department's in-car and body-worn camera systems; and

WHEREAS, Chief Dunn's background in both computer technology and accounting have served him well in his career. He furthered his education by attending numerous management training sessions and conferences, and he maintained instructor qualifications with the Tennessee Peace Officers Commission in DUI, Physical Fitness, Firearms, and Advanced Fingerprint Identification. Additionally, he has served as a certified training officer with the police department; and

WHEREAS, the highlight of Chief Dunn's career was leading the Alcoa Police Department through successful accreditation on-sites under four administrations as well as attending the 185th Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy; and

WHEREAS, Chief Dunn has served on numerous professional and civic boards and strives to stay active in his community; he served with the Alcoa Municipal Federal Credit Union for nine years, serving eight years as president; on the board of directors of the City of Alcoa's retirement system; as president of the Blount County Seatbelt Coalition; as a CPR instructor for the American Red Cross; and as coach and sponsor of Maryville Little League; and

WHEREAS, he is also a graduate of the 2005 Leadership Blount Class; a 2004 graduate of the Dale Carnegie Course, from which he received the Highest Award for Achievement; and a graduate of McGhee Tyson Airport Aviation Academy; and

WHEREAS, Chief Dunn is a member of the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police, International Association of Chiefs of Police, FBI National Academy Associates, Law Enforcement Accreditation Coalition of Tennessee, and the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., which he has served as an assessor for more than fourteen

years, traveling to various law enforcement agencies across the nation to assess their voluntary compliance with national accreditation standards; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Chief Dunn has received numerous recognitions, including Officer of the Year on two occasions and Above and Beyond; and

WHEREAS, he is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his best friend and wife of more than thirty years, Debbie; children, Montana and Jacob (Hailey); and granddaughter, Paisley; and

WHEREAS, for nearly thirty-nine years, Chief Dunn has helped hold the thin blue line that keeps our society safe and orderly, and he should be recognized on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Assistant Chief of Police Phillip Dunn on his exemplary career with the Alcoa Police Department and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness during his retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.